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**DIVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**  
**SHU et al.- ANL-IN-99-004b**

Sir:

This is a request for filing a divisional patent application under 37 C.F.R. 1.52(b) of prior application Serial No. 09/930,699 filed on August 15, 2001, (Examiner for prior application - Jason L. Savage; Group Art Unit - 1775) of SHU et al. for Letters Patent for REDUNDANTLY CONSTRAINED LAMINAR STRUCTURE AS WEAK-LINK MECHANISMS (Case ANL-IN-99-004b), by the following named inventors:

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The above named inventors are the same as named in the above-identified prior application. This new application discloses and claims only subject matter disclosed in the prior application. Enclosed is a copy of the original above-identified prior application including the specification, a set of 14 claims and one copy of the drawings (4 sheets).

A preliminary amendment is enclosed.

The Assignee THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO is entitled to and claims Small Entity Status. The Small Entity filing fee is calculated below:

	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee \$355.00
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Amend the specification by inserting before the first line, the sentence:

--This application is a divisional application of Serial No. 09/930,699 filed on August 15, 2001.--

The prior application is assigned of record to THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO. A copy of the assignment is enclosed.

The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to:


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The Power appears in the original papers in the prior application. A copy of the Power in the prior application is enclosed.

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